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**5.45pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Room N204, Sir Ian Wood Building, Robert Gordon University,  
Garthdee, Aberdeen  
Free car parks available

## **Children and Young People and Computer Crime - A Policing Perspective**

**Graham Worton, Detective Sergeant, Police Scotland Cybercrime Unit.**

Over the last number of years, the number of digital and mobile devices owned by children and young persons has dramatically increased which in turn has significantly influenced how the Police conduct their business. The nature and type of incidents now being dealt with by the Police means that the recovery, assessment and presentation of digital evidence plays a significant part of most police enquiries. Many of the incidents involve children and young people who have been placed or have placed themselves in circumstances whereby they are subjected to criminal acts. What does this mean now and what risk does it pose for the future?

Graham Worton is a Detective Sergeant in the Police Scotland's Cybercrime Unit, based in Aberdeen. Graham has 14 years Police Service and has spent the majority of these in investigative roles with CID and Intelligence disciplines. Over the last four years he has worked exclusively within the sphere of Cybercrime where he has been involved in a diverse range of enquiries from Counter Terrorism to the sexual exploitation of children.

The nature of the investigations undertaken by the Cybercrime Unit mean that they are constantly involved in the recovery of digital evidence for all types of crime much of which, increasingly, involves children and young people. The challenges of conducting such enquiries will be raised and considered in DS Worton's presentation.

***Members and non-members alike are welcome.***

***Solicitors & Advocates, Police and Social Workers and other professions may claim CPD time for attendance at SASO lectures - registration at the event will be required.***

Please communicate any enquiries regarding the presentation or SASO in general to:

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The COSTA Coffee Shop is open in the Sir Ian Wood Building until 10pm.

The aim of SASO is to bring together people with a wide range of experience in the criminal justice system so that by listening, talking and sharing experience, a better understanding of our common problems will develop.